

Making Kolidays Bright

Below you will find a few suggestions to share your generosity with others during the holiday season. Together, we can make everyone's holiday bright!

Thanksgiving

Community Dinners available to the public:

- ◆ First Baptist Church, 800 Thompson St., Ashland, VA 23005, Noon to 3pm on November 26th. Reservations required. Contact (804) 798-8988. Spanish (804) 337-7372 Limited transportation available within Ashland Town Limits.
- ◆ The Giving Heart Community Thanksgiving Feast, Greater Richmond Convention Center, 11am to 2:30pm on November 26th. Contact (804) 749-4726 for more information.

Christmas

Hanover families seeking assistance may submit a letter to: Hanover Christmas Mother, P.O. Box 39, Doswell, VA 23047. Submit letter with your contact information, the names and the ages of your children by November 15th.

You Can Make A Monetary Donation...

Any local agency, including those below, would benefit from your contributions.

Hanover Christmas Mother

Program: P.O. Box 39, Doswell, VA 23047 (also accepts gift cards)

ACES (Ashland Christian Emergency Services):

P.O. Box 114, Ashland, VA 23005

MCEF (Mechanicsville Churches Emergency

Functions): P.O. Box 604, Mechanicsville, VA 23111

WHEAT (Western Hanover Emergency

Action Team): P.O. Box 171, Beaverdam, VA

You Can Share Your Time...

Hanover Adult Center: Marie Riley at (804) 746-0743. Share a special talent or travel story or lead an activity, craft or game; assist with special office or "handyman" projects.

Heritage Green Assisted Living Community:

Katherine Watts at (804) 746-7370. Volunteer to assist with holiday decorating, resident parties, worship services, caroling and craft projects.

Offender Aid & Restoration, Inc. (OAR): Sara Conlon at (804) 643-2746. Volunteer to assist at the Client Christmas Store.

The Giving Heart: Vicki Neilson at (804) 749-4726. Volunteer in preparation for, or on the day of, Richmond area's Thanksgiving Feast or annual clothing event.

Hanover Habitat for Humanity: Volunteer to assist with construction, customer service, administrative tasks or recycling. Contact the office at 804-569-6108.

You Can Collect or Contribute Items...

ACES (Ashland Christian Emergency Services): ACES accepts donations in the form of household items, non-perishable foods, and clothing. Contact (804) 798 2784 for more information.

FeedMore (Formerly Central Virginia Food Bank): Provide donations of non-perishable goods. To receive a charitable gift receipt, you can bring items to FeedMore at 1415 Rhoadmiller Street in Richmond, VA, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Fridays.

Hanover Adult Center: Contact Marie Riley at (804) 746-0743. Donate gift cards, party supplies, snacks, game prizes, activity books & supplies, exercise items, hand sanitizer, laundry or kitchen supplies, healthy sugar free snacks.

Hanover County Animal Control: Contact Animal Control at (804) 365-6485. Donate pet items including food, newspapers, blankets, towels, grooming supplies, collars, carrying crates, kitten/puppy formula, live stock handling equipment, etc. National Alliance on Mental Illness-Central VA: Contact Jeff Conley at (804)285-1749. Donate small gift bag items, such as promotional magnets, pens, notepads, t-shirts, or sample-size products for annual holiday party.

Offender Aid & Restoration, Inc. (OAR): Contact Sara Conlon at (804) 643-2746. Donate gifts for adults, back packs, adult hygiene items, umbrellas or Wal-Mart/grocery store gift cards, or items for the Client Christmas Store.

Patrick Henry YMCA: Contact Jake Anderson (804) 798-0057. Donate craft supplies, construction paper, markers, notebook paper, etc. or building blocks or other science/math related items for after school programs for children ages 5 to 13.

Resources for Independent Living: Contact Marcia Guardino at (804) 353-6503, ext. 130. Donate gift cards from Wal-Mart or other stores, for individuals with disabilities.

Salvation Army Angel/Silver Tree: Pick one or more Angels or Silver Bells from trees at local malls.

St. Joseph's Villa: Contact Kathy Perun at (804) 521-5577. Donate new or "like new" coats for children and adults. Create family food boxes with non-perishable items or donate grocery retail gift cards. Create stockings for children K-12 which should include toiletry items and no nut related products. Collect new board games and educational games, craft kits and art supplies.

Call Hanover County Community Resources 804-365-4300 or Visit www.HanoverVolunteers.org to discover even more ways to share your time during this holiday season and throughout the year.

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Be a Friend for the Holidays

The following organizations can help match you with a specific individual or family. In some cases you may have the opportunity to meet those you assist; in other cases their contact information may not be shared.

Adopt-A-Senior Program: Visit any EVB Bank location in Hanover to pick a "Senior Angel" from their tree.

Hanover Community Service Board: Hanover Community Service Board: Contact Michele Elliott at (804)365-6606. Be a referral source to coordinate gifts for individuals with intellectual or mental health disabilities whom may not receive assistance or gifts this holiday season. Gift cards to Wal-Mart, Target, grocery stores, restaurants, gas stations, etc., as well as donations of winter clothing, toiletries and meals. Donations are primarily sought for adult populations, with limited families with young children in need of clothing and toys.

Hanover Preschool Initiative: Contact Alison Davis at (804) 365-4510. Provide holiday gifts for a specific child or family in need. HPI is a low-income public school preschool program within Hanover County Public Schools.

Hanover Safe Place: Contact Doreen Sherrier at (804) 752-2728 to assist a specific family seeking service related to domestic and sexual violence.

HumanKind, Ways to Work Richmond : Please contact Mary Beth Foust, (804) 888-8229 for a list of items needed. Donations of items typically include toys, books and clothing.

MCV Hospital/VCU Medical Center: Contact Amanda Lanes at (804) 828-0922. Provide gifts for pediatric or adult patients.

Offender Aid & Restoration, Inc. (OAR): Contact Sara Conlon at (804) 643-2746. Provide gifts for specific individuals or families.

St. Joseph's Villa: Become a Season of Hope sponsor and fulfill a child's wish list. These gifts from the community provide holiday cheer and necessities to the children we serve. Contact Kathy Perun at (804) 521-5577.

You Can Create An Item or Gift...



Hanover Safe Place: Contact Doreen Sherrier at (804) 752-2728. Create a "Welcome" basket.

Meals on Wheels (FeedMore): Contact Sunah Cochran at (804)934-1943 for items and gifts that you can make!

The Giving Heart: Contact Vicki Neilson (804) 749-4726. Create toiletry "giving bags" throughout the year or centerpieces for Thanksgiving. Donate toiletries, socks, hats, gloves and scarves for the upcoming Community Thanksgiving Feast. Contact Vicki Neilson for drop-off locations.

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